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SUB: PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE MARKET RESEARCH OF IRAN

REF: USDOC 3280, 75 TEHRAN 11154

1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH TIMING AND CONTRACTING OF SURVEY
SPECIFIED USDOC 3280, PARA 529.

2. OFFICES: ONE OFFICE IN USIS BUILDING, SABA AVENUE, ABOUT
10-20 MINUTES BY CAR FROM EMBASSY REQUESTED AND TENTATIVELY
RESERVED FOR MONTHS OCTOBER-NOVEMBER FOR USE BY FIELD PROJECT MAN-
AGER AND SECRETARY.

3. SECRETARY: SEVERAL BILINGUAL TEMPORARY SECRETARIES
USUALLY AVAILABLE AT CURRENT (AND RISING) COST OF \$600-700
PER MONTH FOR TYPING, FILING, MAKING APPOINTMENTS, ANSWER-
ING TELEPHONE. LEAD TIME NECESSARY FOR FINDING AND HIRING
SUCH A SECRETARY ONE TO TWO MONTHS. POST MUST BE NOTIFIED
OF ANY ADDITIONAL SKILLS THAT MAY BE EXPECTED. MONTHLY
SALARY INCREASES SHARPLY FOR THOSE HAVING ADDITIONAL
SKILLS WHILE SUPPLY DECREASES.

4. HOUSING: HOUSING AVAILABILITY CONTINUES TO BE
TIGHT, BUT EMBASSY WOULD MAKE APPROPRIATE RESERVATIONS
AND ARRANGEMENTS (HOTEL, APT.). CURRENT COST HOTEL
ROOM NEAR EMBASSY 35 DOLLARS PER NIGHT AND SHORT-TERM
RENT OF LEASED FURNISHED ONE-BEDROOM APARTMENT/HOTEL
700-900 DOLLARS. LEAD TIME NECESSARY FOR HOUSING
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ARRANGEMENTS FOUR WEEKS.

5. VEHICLES: DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS, EMBASSY WOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO SUPPLY VEHICLE AND DRIVER ON LIMITED, AS-AVAILABLE BASIS FOR USE BY FIELD PROJECT MANAGER. EMBASSY CANNOT SUPPLY FULL-TIME USE VEHICLE AND DRIVER. AFTER WORKING HOURS, EMBASSY VEHICLE AND DRIVER AVAILABLE FOR LIMITED PERSONAL USE, SUBJECT TO EMBASSY POLICY AND PRIORITIES.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) SEND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONTRACTING SURVEY TO EMBASSY BY EARLY MAY; (B) EMBASSY UNABLE TO MAKE FIRM ARRANGEMENTS WITHOUT DEFINITE DATES AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFICES, SECRETARY AND HOUSING. NOTIFY EMBASSY OF DETAILS ASAP; AND (C) SEND FISCAL AUTHORIZATION DATA FOR SURVEY BY EARLY MAY.
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